8/28/71 Dear Jim, Before returning to editing what I've written on a longer work than I'd expected to do, several things I do not want to forget and do not want you (also plural) to forget. One is that nothing seems to have been done about gathering and returning all my materials of every kind except what is necessary for the spectro and Ray cases. I do want this done and I think that while there is less prdssure with Bud away there is no better time than now. The other reasons for doing it now need no repetition. I also have seen no acceptable version of any letter to have been sent more than a year ago, none of any sent. I want no more hitches of this kind, especially not now. This includes all Archives correspondence both ways except what is relevant to spectro, and if you have doubts, I can provide a list., I have this corres. carded.

Ray: If we do not have a copy of his letter firing Hanes, we should. If we do, I'd like a copy. If we don't, I can ask him.

I've been nibbling away at Search For Justice, which in the Ray part is less than that. It has given me a few ideas I'm noting as I read it, which is in odd moments, a few pages at a time.

Tomorrow's Times caries excerpts from my first letter after Kaplan's "review" and what is presented as his reply. I have written them that the five-month delay is more culpability, that they waited until they had bled the book to death and then did not relieve or ever attempt to relieve the damage or the libel and said I expected more, late as it is. I'll have a copy for Bill. Jerry should have sent him a fairly complete file. Please tell him that after he reads that and when we talk I can go over what he has and see if there seems to be any significant omission.

I'll be in town Monday before you get up. If I have not mailed this by then I'll have it with me and I'll call you. We'll have to leave downtown by 1:30 because we have dental appointments in NW at 2 and Lil isn't well.

Best